



6th July 2020

Dear Parent Carers

Re: Department for Education Guidance for the full Opening of Schools

As always, I hope that you and your family are keeping well.

You will no doubt have seen the media coverage in relation to the full opening of schools in September 2020. The guidance is available via the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

We are delighted to learn that we will be able to welcome all of our pupils back into school in September. However, the guidance includes a wide range of parameters and directs schools to make judgements about how to balance and minimise the ongoing risks of COVID-19 while providing a full educational experience for all children. The guidance also identifies the necessity to plan for continued remote learning in the event of localised outbreaks so we can maintain educational provision.

I am sure that you will appreciate the fact that, having received this guidance on Thursday morning, we now need to spend some time considering this and planning for its safe implementation. We will be working on this as a priority and will communicate with you in due course once our own plans are in place to support our pupils coming back into school.

I expect that many of you will have lots of questions around this and in many cases they will be the same questions that we are asking ourselves. Please may we ask for you to hold these questions for now until we produce our own response to this guidance; this will give you all the detail that you need about your child's safe return to school in September. I will write to you again before the end of next week with an update.

Many thanks for your understanding and consideration of this and we look forward to updating you in the near future.

Best wishes and take care.

Yours sincerely

Deb Rattley
Headteacher